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Cambodians to Hold Rally at UN, Urging Japan to Withdraw Funding for **Cambodian Election**

Rally comes amid widespread international condemnation about Hun Sen's egregious attacks on democracy and human rights

In response to the Cambodian government's refusal to reinstate the Cambodia National Rescue Party (CNRP) before the July national elections, the leaders of CNRP America (CNRPA) and over 500 Cambodians will hold a rally today at Noon near the UN headquarters in New York City urging Japan to immediately withdraw all assistance to the Cambodian electoral process.

Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen has dissolved and banned the CNRP, the only viable opposition party in Cambodia, exiled and imprisoned its leaders, including CNRP president Kem Sokha, held illegitimate Senate elections, and recently deployed more than 100,000 security personnel to polling stations across the country. Japan is the main international funder of Cambodia's electoral process. The CNRP is calling on its supporters, which includes roughly half of the voting population, to boycott the national elections on July 29.

WHAT: Rally urging Japan to withdraw assistance for Cambodian elections

WHEN: Saturday, June 16

12:00-4:00 pm

WHERE: Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations

866 United Nations Plaza #230

New York, NY 10017

WHO: Rithy Uong, President, CNRPA

Tung Yap, President, Cambodian Americans for Human Rights and Democracy

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